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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

IN RE: SOCIAL MEDIA ADOLESCENT  
ADDICTION/PERSONAL INJURY PRODUCTS  
LIABILITY LITIGATION

Case No. 4:22-MD-03047-YGR

MDL No. 3047

**DECLARATION OF AUSTIN P. BRANE IN  
SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR  
APPOINTMENT TO PLAINTIFFS'  
STEERING COMMITTEE LEADERSHIP**

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This Document Relates to:

ALL ACTIONS

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2 I, AUSTIN P. BRANE, declare:

3 1. I am a partner in the law firm of Wagstaff & Cartmell LLP and am counsel for Plaintiffs  
4 in the above-captioned matter. I make this declaration based on personal knowledge. If called upon to  
5 testify, I could and would testify competently to the truth of the matters stated herein.

6 2. Attached hereto is a true and correct copy of the following:

7 Exhibit 1. Thomas P. Cartmell's Application to the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee Leadership.  
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9 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 7<sup>th</sup> day of  
10 November, 2023, in Kansas City, Missouri.

11 Dated: November 7, 2023

/s/ Austin P. Brane  
Austin P. Brane